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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

REMARKS

35 U.S.C. §103(a) Claim Rejections

Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Culley et al. (6,000,040) in view of Fawcett et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,678,002).

Applicant's independent claims include the limitation of initiating a reset of a computer from a remote location and running diagnostic software on the computer that has been downloaded from a remote computer system. Culley does not disclose running diagnostics on the computer system that have been